

PATENT APPLICATION

THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q62555

Yoshihisa Takubo

Appln. No.: 09/769,339

Group Art Unit: 1733

Confirmation No.: 5113

Examiner: Steven D. Maki

Filed: January 26, 2001

For: PNEUMATIC TIRE

EXCESS CLAIM FEE PAYMENT LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231


Sir:

An Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 is attached hereto for concurrent filing in the above-identified application. The resulting excess claim fee has been calculated as shown below:

	After Amendment		Previously Paid For						
All Claims	22	-	20	=	2	X	\$18.00	=	\$36.00
Independent	3	-	3	=		X	\$84.00	=	\$0.00
TOTAL								=	\$36.00

A check for the statutory fee of \$36.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,


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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 23, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 13 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please enter the following amended claims:

1. (Amended) A pneumatic tire comprising:

a tread;

a lug groove extending from a shoulder side of said tread toward a tire central plane such that the end, on the central plane side, of each lug groove is aligned on the central plane, the lug groove being provided in plurality at said tread in the tire circumferential direction to form a lug pattern; and